



March 22, 2022

Dear EBAA membership,

I wholeheartedly endorse the nomination of James T. (Jim) Quirk for the position of Chair of the Eye Bank Association Board of Directors. Jim is an excellent candidate and well suited for the challenges that may face the Association in the coming years. I am thrilled that he is willing to serve the Association as Board Chair.

Jim is a natural leader who follows through to complete projects presented to him, something that was probably instilled in him early on while serving in the US Navy and Naval Reserves. Jim's eye banking career path is similar to my own, and then some, having served two terms as Co-chair of the Accreditation Board and as a member of the Medical Advisory Board, as well as a member of the Board of Directors. Additionally, Jim successfully and admirably led as chair of the Governance Review Committee, which was charged with restructuring the Association's Board of Directors, a lengthy and involved project resulting in an improved governance for the EBAA

I know Jim to be pragmatic, insightful, and trustworthy -- all characteristics that have served him well as the President and CEO of the Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley for more than 10 years, as well as an EBAA BOD member.

Jim understands the importance of collaboration and holds a strong position for non-profit, community-based eye banking. I am confident Jim is an excellent choice as Chair of the EBAA Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

Patricia Dahl
Executive Director/CEO